

Civil Case: Norman Stevens vs Evalinda Stevens - divorce

William D. Frazee	Reports to clerk that Evalinda Stevens is non-resident of Indiana	Aug. 27, 1864
John McConnel	Clerk of Adams County, Indiana	
John McConnel	Publishes 'notice to non-resident' in newspaper	Aug. 29, 1864
D. J. Callen	Publisher of newspaper; Oath of publishing 'notice to non-resident'	Nov. 4, 1864
John McConnel	Clerk of Adams County, Indiana	
Norman Stevens	Plaintiff; complaint for divorce	Jan. Term 1865
Evalinda Stevens	Defendant; formerly Evalinda Hildreth	
Norman Stevens	Complaint; Married May 9, 1846 in Pennsylvania to Evalinda Hildreth	
Norman Stevens	Complaint; Evalinda abandoned abt August 1860	
Sarah J. Stevens	Dau. Of Norman & Evalinda Stevens; age 16 years	
E. D. Stevens	Child of Norman & Evalinda Stevens; age 14 years	
Emma A. Stevens	Dau. Of Norman & Evalinda Stevens; age 12 years	
George W. Stevens	Son of Norman & Evalinda Stevens; age 10 years	
Clarence A. Stevens	Son of Norman & Evalinda Stevens; age 4 years	
Norman Stevens	Requests divorce and custody of children	
W. D. Frazee	Attorney for plaintiff	

Roll No 31 (42)

Norman Stevens
W Stevens

Evalinda Stevens
1865

Box 15

State of Indiana } In the Adams Court
County of Adams } of Common Pleas Indiana
1865-

Personally appeared before the undersigned
Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court William
D'Grazee who being duly affirmed
upon his affirmation says that he
is informed and verily believes
that Evelinda B Stevens is a now
resident of the State of Indiana
August 27th 1864, William D'Grazee

Subscribed and afformed before me this
27th day of August 1864

John M Connell Clerk

Notice to Non-Resident.

STATE OF INDIANA, } ss. Court Common Pleas
ADAMS COUNTY, } Jan. Term, 1865.
Norman Stevens, } vs.
Evelinda Stevens. } Complainant for Divorce

It is certified to the satisfaction of the undersigned by affidavit filed, that the above named defendant is a non Resident of the State of Indiana. Therefore notice is hereby given to said defendant of the filing and pendency of the complaint in the above entitled cause, and that unless she appears and answers or demurr to this cause on the calling of the cause at the first day of the Jan. Term of said court the same will be taken as confessed to be true and a decree had thereon accordingly.

JOHN MC CONNEL,
Aug 29, 1864. Clerk.

of Indiana, } ss.
COUNTY,

Subscribed before me the undersigned, who, being duly sworn on
Publisher of the DECATUR EAGLE, a Weekly
newspaper published in said County of Adams, and that the
aforementioned and foregoing notice was published in said newspaper on the
29th Aug 2d 9th 1/2nd Oct all in the year 1864. Three
consecutive weeks and on the days named.

J. F. Callery,

PRINTER'S FEES \$1.00
CLERK'S .30.....

Subscribed and sworn before me this 4 day of Nov 1864

John M Connell C. A. C.

State of Indiana, In the Adams Court of Common
Bounty of Adams, p. 3 Pleas January Term 1863-

Norman Stevens

As
Evinda H Stevens

Petition for Divorce

Norman Stevens plaintiff in this cause would show to the court that on or about the ninth day of May AD 1846 he intermarried with Evinda H Kildreth in the state of Pennsylvania and that he continued to live with the said Evinda as his wife until about August 1460, when without any cause whatever the said Evinda abandoned the plaintiff declaring it to be her intention never to return again since which time she has lived separate and apart from the plaintiff, and refuses to live or cohabit with him, and declares that it is her fixed intention never to live with the plaintiff again.

And this plaintiff further shows that during the time he lived and cohabited with the defendant aforesaid, he had by said marriage five children, to wit Sarah A Stevens about sixteen years old, E D Stevens about fourteen years old Emma A Stevens about twelve years old George W Stevens about ten years old, and Clarence A Stevens about four years old, And that during all the time he lived with the said Evinda he conducted himself with propriety; that he furnished her with the necessaries of life, and at all times treated her with forbearance, kindness, and affection, up until her final abandonment About five or six years before filing this complaint the

defendant commenced treating the plaintiff with a studied coldness, and seemed to possess a great aversion and Antipathy to the plaintiff which she continued with very slight intermission until she finally separated from him about August 1880. the plaintiff alledged that he has been for the last twelve months, is now a resident of said state

In consideration of the premises the plaintiff in this cause asks of this court that he may be divorced from the society and fellowship of the said Evinda and that the Marriage aforesaid may be held for naught and void; as though the said Evinda was naturally dead and that the Custody of said Children may be awarded to him and for such other relief as may Consistent with equity

W D Frazee Atty